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PECK YOUR SELF FULLY VULCANIZED THERMOPLASTIC ELASTOMER, PREPARATION For:

USE THEREOF

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 17.

Please amend claims 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15 and 16 as follows:

4. (Amended) The fully vulcanized thermoplastic elastomer according to claim 1, characterized in that the average particle size of said rubber phase is $0.05\mu\sim0.5\mu$, more preferably $0.05\mu\sim0.2\mu$.

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